

Illinois Children and Family Services Advisory Council

September 13, 2018 from 3:30 to 5:00 PM

Chicago: 100 W. Randolph 16th Floor Room 504

Conference Call #: 1.888.494.4032; Access Code: 1819480398#

Minutes

- I. Welcome and Introduction**
- II. Approval of Minutes from June 14, 2018**
- III. Discussion Item: Child on Child Sexually Problematic Behaviors**

Members: Marge Berglind, Jennifer Hansen, Anita Weinberg, Dr. Glick, Merri Ex, Bob Bloom, Alice McGowan, Brittani Kindle,

DCFS: Janet Ahern, Jeremy Harvey, Mary Nam, Najma Adams, Jill Tichenor; Gwen Walsh, Shawn Edding, Michael C. Jones

Guests: Nora Collins-Mandeville, State Rep. Robyn Gabel (18th District), State Rep. Sara Feigenholtz (12th District), Eve Rips, Ooi Senz

Discussion: Review of Suggested legislative modification to identify what if any next steps this council wishes to take to support the legislative modifications

Initial recommendations

- 1.) Data collection system in place---Where we identified 200 Child on child calls.
- 2.) Identify support to family focused responses to this Children to offer a quality decision tree
- 3.) Expand marketing of Najma's program (Sexually Problematic Behaviors)

Registry

- 1.) Eliminate the Juvenile sex offender registry
- 2.) Remove mandatory sentencing requirements for juvenile sex offenses (HARDEST TO DO)
- 3.) Add requirement that assessment precede any requirement of JSO registration
- 4.) Conduct a review of current JSO registration, provide a pathway to be discharged if an evaluation from a qualified center, places you at low risk for offense and your sentence is complete.

These are sort of 2 different issues:

- 1.) Child on child behaviors and Hotline call,
- 2.) Sex offender registry

When the sex offender registry (ISP retains the registry), thus it is an adult criminal system design. The registry originally created to "protect the community". Since 1995 there had been 25 additions to the sex offender registration. Somewhere between 3-7% of youth convicted and re-offend.

The Illinois juvenile justice commission and Loyola has a focused study on the topic. Could you get support for the targeted and limited registry.

The worst thing you can do is nuanced statute changes. Perhaps it could be moved it from ISP, (a statutory change) the move create the opportunity for change. Get recommendations from Physicians, specialists, to allow for propagation of rules.

CAC intervention-(For Perp and Victim) prior to adjudication.....as a different path prior to sentencing?

Perhaps: you split the registry: moving the juvenile registry to DCFs and allow for the propagation of rules.

ANCRA modification- if you wanted (Create a controlled pilot to test a modification of the flow chart.) This is a long road.....so you need to take smaller steps...such as an adequate BH/MH evaluation.

Potential groups/people to contact:

(JUDE hearings?) (Kelly Cassidy)(restorative justice) (Lashon Ford) (Brian Samuels)(Casey Family Programs (Anita Shannon))

Decisions:

Can we we-frame re-define to see where DCFS feels on this issue.

Road Map development: Shawn, Anita, Merri, Janet,(A Paragraph) work with Gwen- to present to Director

Send council contact information to Rep Gabel, Rep Feigenholtz

Point Person(s): Bob Bloom

IV. Discussion Item: Creating a sub-group

Discussion: A follow up to the prior conversation related to Jill Glick's proposal to create a sub-group with the targeted goals:

1. To summarize the current states "need" for child abuse consultation- that is to review DCFS reporting data for serious harms.
2. To summarize the current child abuse pediatric resources in our state.
3. To address the barriers to sustaining and increasing this resource.
4. To perform a national review of other state programs.
5. To articulate the needed interagency response to suspected child abuse
6. To propose for review a plan for the increase of resource and interagency collaboration in cases of serious harms and if endorsed to ensure a trajectory for implementation

Decisions:

Tabled for December

Point Person(s):

Jill Glick

Next Meeting: December 13th, 2018